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THE MODERN LANGUAGE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA.

COLUMBIAN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, D. C.,

Wednesday, December 28, 1892.

The tenth annual meeting of the Association was called to order at 10 o'clock a. m. by the President, Professor Francis A. March.

The President introduced Professor James C. Welling, President of the Columbian University, who welcomed the Association in the following words:

Mr. President and gentlemen of the Modern Language Association, I am not here to deliver an address. I am here in the name of my colleagues, some of whom have the honor to be members of your Association, and in behalf of the Board of Trustees of this University, to extend to you the right hand of fellowship as we welcome you most cordially to all the hospitalities which our University can offer. In this world of ours there are two great communions which are world wide and which have their visible and their invisible fellowships—the communion of saints, and the communion of scholars. I am glad to welcome you to-day to this meeting and to this fellowship. If you wish to attend the meeting of the communion of saints, who are also scholars, you may go into the adjoining room; and if they wish to attend the communion of scholars, who are (more or less) saints, let them come here, for I think in this interchange of good fellowship, of scholarly fellowship with Christian fellowship, we shall all do each other good. I count it among the felicities of this University that has honored me as its President that it has been honored from year to year by the meetings of these associations. I assure you that in this touch of the hand, in these tokens of fellowship, we are strengthened, and year by year we are glad to have the links of this chain of fellowship more and more closely drawn. Again, I bid you welcome.

The Secretary of the Association, Professor A. Marshall Elliott, reviewed briefly the published *Proceedings* of the last annual meeting, and presented the following account of the copies of the *Publications* on hand:

1884–1885. Vol. I.	100	1887. Vol. III.,	88
1886. Vol. II.	17		
1888–1889. Vol. IV. (Complete Volumes, 27):			
No. 1,	27	No. 3–4 (in one)	102
No. 2,	81		
1890. Vol. V. (Complete Volumes, 91):			
No. 1,	513	No. 3,	64
No. 2,	91	No. 4,	110
No. 2 (Supplement),	107		
1891. Vol. VI. (Complete Volumes, 69):			
No. 1,	69	No. 3–4 (in one),	92
No. 2,	80		
1892. Vol. VII:			
No. 1,	48	No. 3,	37
No. 2,	45		

Proceedings (*Separate*).

1884,	144	1890,	81
1885,	30	1891,	69
1889,	45		

Lack of funds has delayed the publication of Volume VII, No. 4.

The Treasurer of the Association, Dr. James W. Bright, then presented the following report for the year 1892:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand December 31, 1891,		$20 32
Annual Dues from Members—		
Arrears for the year 1890,	$ 6 00	
" " " 1891,	87 00	
Dues for the year 1892,	687 00	
Dues in advance for 1893,	30 00	
From Dr. M. D. Learned, for partial cost of *Publications, VII*, 1,	125 00	
From Dr. H. A. Rennert, for partial cost of *Publications, VII*, 3,	50 00	
From Dr. T. Logie, for partial cost of *Publications, VII*, 4,	50 00	
Total receipts for the year,		$1,035 00
		$1,055 32

EXPENDITURES.

Account Books,	$ 3 85	
Stenographer,	55 40	
Job Printing,	10 95	
Postage and Stationery (for the Treasurer),	14 45	
Dues returned to C. W. Benton, resigned,	3 00	
Paid to Secretary for publication purposes,	920 32	
Total expenditures for the year,		$1,007 97
Balance on hand December 24, 1892,		47 35
		$1,055 32

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The following Committees were then appointed by the Chair:

(1) To audit the Treasurer's report: Professor J. H. Gore and Mr. A. N. Brown.

(2) To nominate officers: Professors J. M. Garnett, J. W. Pearce, George Hempl, H. E. Green, T. Logie, H. C. G. von Jagemann, S. Primer, J. T. Hatfield, A. Gerber.

(3) To recommend place for the next Annual Meeting: Professors F. M. Warren, J. P. Fruit, G. M. Harper, J. Henneman, H. Schmidt-Wartenburg, T. P. Harrison, J. W. Bright.

Dr. J. W. Bright: It has been customary to relieve the Secretary by the services of an assistant during these sessions. I move that Dr. J. E. Matzke be appointed the Secretary's assistant for the present session.

The motion was adopted.

Professor H. E. Green: In accordance with our usual custom, I move that the time for opening the discussion of a paper be limited to ten minutes, and that following speakers be limited to five minutes each.

The motion was adopted.

The reading of papers was then begun.